

A Foolish Man

Today, more than ever, we see advertisements from companies wanting to insure us. They offer insurance for our automobiles, insurance for sickness, and even insurance to bury us when we die. I have friends and acquaintances who are insurance poor. They have so much insurance that paying their annual obligations is a task indeed. Yet, in their state of being over-insured, they have forgotten their most important possession: their soul

Matthew 16:26 asks, "For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world and lose his own soul?" The answer? Nothing. What would a man give in exchange for his soul? When he is standing in judgment realizing he is lost eternally, a man would give everything in exchange for his soul.

A foolish man spoken of by our Lord (in Luke 12:16-20) tells us that God had greatly blessed him with earthly possessions and he was looking out for the preservation of his goods on a long-term basis, but had not made any for his soul. Our Lord calls this man a fool because he was making provisions for his fleshly body but none for his soul.

A fool works hard to gain material things but does not consider his spiritual needs.

Jesus tells us to lay up our treasures in heaven and gain an eternal reward (everlasting life). If we lay up our treasures here on earth, moths and rust will cause them to decay, thieves may steal them and when we die we most definitely can't take them with us.

It is my prayer that you aren't a foolish man, but a wise man, and lay up your treasures for heaven.

Food For Thought – This week let us work hard among our relatives, telling them about the great love of God through Christ our Lord. Pray they will come into the family of God while time is smiling on them.

-James Ferguson